Amendments to the Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A mousse-type or foamable aqueous or <u>hydroalcoholic</u> alcoholic/aqueous styling agent <u>preparation</u> comprising <u>one or more</u> propellants, one or more pregelatinized, crosslinked starch derivatives and <u>one or more</u> anionic polymers.

2. (Cancelled)

- 3. (Currently Amended) The preparation or the use as claimed in either of the preceding claims, characterized in that as claimed in claim 1, wherein the one or more pregelatinized, crosslinked starch derivatives used are include hydroxypropylated phosphate esters.
- 4. (Currently Amended) The preparation or the use as claimed in any of the preceding claims, characterized in that as claimed in claim 1, wherein the one or more pregelatinized, crosslinked starch derivatives used is include hydroxypropyl distarch phosphate (CAS Number 113894-92-1).
- 5. (Currently Amended) The styling agent or the use as claimed in any of the preceding claims, characterized in that preparation as claimed in claim 1, wherein the anionic polymer used in the case of hydrous preparations is includes at least one substance chosen selected from the group consisting of vinyl acetate/ crotonic acid,—; vinyl acetate/acrylate and/orand vinyl acetate/vinyl neodecanoate/crotonic acid copolymers,—; sodium acrylate/vinyl alcohol copolymers,—; sodium polystyrenesulfonate,——; ethyl acrylate/N-tert-butylacrylamide/acrylic acid copolymers,—; vinylpyrrolidone/vinyl acetate/itaconic acid copolymers,—; acrylic acid/acrylamide copolymers and/or sodium salts thereof,—; homo- and/or copolymers of acrylic acid and/or methacrylic acid and/or salts thereof,—; and acrylate/hydroxyacrylate, octylacrylamide/acrylate or—and methacrylate and/or butyl acrylate/N-vinylpyrrolidone copolymers,—; and methyl vinyl ether/maleic acid copolymers which

are produced by hydrolysis of vinyl ether/maleic anhydride copolymers, and their ethyl, isopropyl or butyl partial or complete esters.

6. (Currently Amended) The styling agent or the use preparation as claimed in any of the preceding claims, characterized in that claim 1, wherein the content of pregelatinized, crosslinked starch derivatives is 0.01 to 2% by weight, particularly preferably 0.1 to 0.5% by weight.

- 7. (Currently Amended) The <u>preparation styling agent or the use</u> as claimed in any of the preceding claims <u>claim 1</u>, characterized in that <u>wherein</u> the weight ratio of solid to pregelatinized, crosslinked starch derivatives is 10:1 to 1:80, particularly preferably 1:4 to 1:80.
- 8. (Currently Amended) The styling agent or the use preparation as claimed in any of the preceding claims, characterized in that claim 1, further comprising one or more cationic polymers are additionally present besides anionic polymers.
- 9. (Currently Amended) The styling agent or the use preparation as claimed in claim 68, characterized in that wherein the one or more cationic polymers are selected chosen from the group consisting of vinylpyrrolidone/vinyl-imidazolium methochloride copolymers, quaternized vinylpyrrolidone/dialkylamino-alkyl methacrylate copolymers, cationic cellulose derivatives, preferably hydroxy ethylcellulose/dimethylalkylammonium chloride copolymers, terpolymers of vinyl-caprolactam/vinylpyrrolidone with dimethylaminoethyl methacrylate or vinyl-imidazolinium methochloride; and acrylamido copolymers-are present.
- 10. (Currently Amended) The styling agent or the use preparation as claimed in any of claims 1 to 5claim 1, characterized in that further comprising one or more nonionic polymers are additionally present besides anionic polymers.

- 11. (Currently Amended) The styling agent or the use preparation as claimed in claim 810, characterized in that wherein the one or more nonionic polymers chosen are selected from the group consisting of vinylpyrrolidone homo- or copolymers; , preferably polyvinylpyrrolidone, —copolymers of N-vinylpyrrolidone and vinyl acetate and/or vinyl propionate, polyvinylcaprolactam, polyvinylamides and salts thereof, and copolymers of vinylpyrrolidone and dimethylaminoethyl methacrylate, terpolymers of vinylcaprolactam, vinylpyrrolidone and dimethylaminoethyl methacrylate; and polysiloxanes are present.
- 12. (New) The preparation as claimed in claim 1, wherein the content of pregelatinized, crosslinked starch derivatives is 0.1 to 0.5% by weight.
- 13. (New) The preparation as claimed in claim 1, wherein the weight ratio of solid to pregelatinized, crosslinked starch derivatives is 1:4 to 1:80.
 - 14. (New) A styling agent comprising the preparation as claimed in claim 1.
- 15. (New) A method for improving the distributability of a propellant-containing and anionic polymer-containing, mousse-type or foamable, aqueous or hydroalcoholic styling agent comprising the step of adding one or more pregelatinized, crosslinked starch derivatives.
- 16. (New) The method as claimed in claim 15, wherein the one or more pregelatinized, crosslinked starch derivatives include hydroxypropylated phosphate esters.
- 17. (New) The method as claimed in claim 15, wherein the one or more pregelatinized, crosslinked starch derivative includes hydroxypropyl distarch phosphate.
- 18. (New) The method as claimed in claim 15, wherein the preparation includes at least one substance selected from the group consisting of vinyl acetate/ crotonic acid; vinyl acetate/acrylate and vinyl acetate/vinyl neodecanoate/crotonic acid copolymers; sodium

acrylate/vinyl alcohol copolymers; sodium polystyrenesulfonate; ethyl acrylate/N-tert-butylacrylamide/acrylic acid copolymers; vinylpyrrolidone/vinyl acetate/itaconic acid copolymers; acrylic acid/acrylamide copolymers and sodium salts thereof; homo- and copolymers of acrylic acid and methacrylic acid and salts thereof; acrylate/hydroxyacrylate, octylacrylamide/acrylate and methacrylate and butyl acrylate/N-vinylpyrrolidone copolymers; and methyl vinyl ether/maleic acid copolymers produced by hydrolysis of vinyl ether/maleic anhydride copolymers, and their ethyl, isopropyl or butyl partial or complete esters.

- 19. (New) The method as claimed in claim 15, wherein the content of pregelatinized, crosslinked starch derivatives is 0.1 to 0.5% by weight.
- 20. (New) The method as claimed in claim 15, wherein the weight ratio of solid to pregelatinized, crosslinked starch derivatives is 1:4 to 1:80.